## **VIA SEDAR**

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Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP

**Attention: Eleanor Farrell** 

RE: -Clarica Bond Index Fund, Clarica Canadian Equity Index Fund, Clarica RSP U.S. Equity Index Fund, Clarica RSP U.S. Technology Fund, Clarica RSP International Index Fund, Clarica RSP European Index Fund, and Clarica RSP Japanese Index Fund, (the "Funds")

-MRRS Application pursuant to part 19.1 of National Instrument 81-102 Mutual Funds ("NI 81-102")

-SEDAR #307354; Application 1184/00

## Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

By letter dated October 26, 2000 (the "Application"), you applied to the regulator or the securities regulatory authority in each of the provinces and territories of Canada (the "Decision Makers"), for exemptive relief from the concentration restriction set forth in subsection 2.1(1) of NI 81-102, to permit each of the Funds to track the composition of its target index.

This letter confirms that, based on the information and representations contained in the Application, and for the purposes described in the Application, the Decision Makers hereby exempt each of the Funds from the restrictions set forth in subsection 2.1(1) of NI 81-102 to permit each of the Funds to track the composition of its target index, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. each Fund shall not purchase securities of any issuer that comprises part of its target index if, after giving effect thereto, more than 15% (or 25% in the case of the Clarica Canadian Equity Index Fund) of the net assets of the Fund, taken at market value at the time of such purchase, would be invested in the securities of such issuer.
- 2. each Fund's prospectus shall disclose:
  - a. that it is not permitted to invest more than 15% (or 25% in the case of the Clarica Canadian Equity Index Fund) of its net assets in any one issuer; and
  - b. that if the securities of any one issuer comprises more than 15% (or 25% in the case of the Clarica Canadian Equity Index Fund) of the target index, it will not be able to

track that portion of the index.

3. the investment objectives for each Fund will specify the target index to be used, and this will be disclosed in the prospectus of each Fund.

In accordance with section 19.1 of NI 81-102, the above relief is hereby granted by the Decision Makers of all of the provinces and territories of Canada. The relief will cease to apply to a Fund if it changes its target index.

Yours truly,

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